

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Cotton futures opened steady. December 12, 65, January 12, 26, March 12, 49, May 12, 72, July 12, 93.

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WEATHER FORECAST

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Alabama weather colder, rain tonight, and probably Wednesday morning, colder Wednesday and in central and west portions tonight.

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MERGER BILL IS MADE KNOWN

Baseball Stars Linked In Landis Probe

SPEAKER AND COBB NAMED AS GAME IS 'UNDER SCRUTINY'

High Commissioner Is Investigating Duel In Detroit

HUNDRED PAGES OF TESTIMONY

Leonard and Wood Named Also In Investigation

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker were linked today in an investigation conducted by Baseball Commissioner Landis, involving an alleged irregularity of a game between Detroit and Cleveland, played in Detroit September 25, 1919.

Commissioner Landis, without making any decision, made public more than 100 pages of testimony taken in connection with the case.

Cobb and Speaker recently resigned as managers of the Detroit and Cleveland clubs, respectively.

Dutch Leonard, once pitcher with the Detroit club, and Joe Wood, another American league pitcher, also were named in the investigation, which Commissioner Landis indicated involved betting on the result of the game.

Cobb, here with Speaker, for a hearing, granted by Judge Landis yesterday, declared that he did not know of the bet until long afterward and that the box score of the contest, which Detroit won, 9 to 5, would show that neither he nor Speaker could have been implicated in throwing the game.

Cobb related that "Dutch" Leonard, Detroit pitcher, and Joe Wood, Cleveland pitcher, had bet \$600 against \$420 that Detroit, then in third place, would win from the second-place Cleveland club on September 25, 1919. Wood did not play in the game, Cobb said.

Speaker, accused of having knowledge of the plan for Cleveland to lose, made three hits, two of which were doubles, while Cobb, charged with knowledge of a pre-arranged Detroit victory, got but one hit in five times at bat. Both pitched for Detroit.

"That ought to show," Cobb declared, "that neither Speaker nor I were in on it."

Cobb did not bet on the game, he said.

"I have played baseball for 22 years," Cobb said, with a catch in his voice. "I couldn't think of anything but win. Every year, every month, every week, and every day I did my dead level best to play good ball and to live so that I could play good ball. I never bet on an American league ball game in my life. I don't believe anybody ever played the game any harder or cleaner or squarer than I. I am involved in this smudge seven years after the thing happened. My position is vindicated in the testimony and so is that of Speaker. I refer the baseball fans of the country to my record in baseball. I am proud of it and I will leave my case to them."

Cobb said that Leonard, now in California, came east last September and showed to American league officials a letter from Wood and one from Cobb, "written in all innocence" for \$2,000.

Nativity Posters Are Shown Here

The current edition of the nativity posters, appearing on the local poster boards, are showing in practically every one of 5,000 cities and towns throughout the United States and Canada. These posters are brought by each local plant owner and are being displayed without charge.

CHILDREN DROWNED

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Three children are reported to have been drowned when a school bus plunged into a creek near Ferndale, 18 miles from this city, today. First reports of the accident gave few details.

Slemp Predicts Shoals Bid To Go To Agriculture Committee

REVENUE BOARD'S MEETING DELAYED UNTIL NEXT WEEK

Building Proposal not to be Acted on Until After Holidays

NO TAX LEVY IS ANTICIPATED

Plans For Extension Continue To Win Much Favor

The Morgan County board of revenue, which has before it for consideration two plans for rebuilding the court house, will not act on the proposals probably until next week.

It had been thought that the board would go into session probably Wednesday of this week, but it became known in official circles today that the meeting will not be held until after Christmas.

The two plans now under consideration call for reconstruction of the original building with the same area as was available before the fire several weeks ago. The other plan calls for the construction of a large addition, giving many more feet of floor space for county offices. Several new vaults are proposed in the plans for the extension, giving the necessary room to house the records of the county.

Under both of the proposed plans, the building would be made as nearly fireproof as possible. One plan costs, it is estimated, a little more than \$60,000, while the other costs, it is estimated, about \$145,000.

No tax levy would be necessary to procure funds for the improvements, it is declared, a plan having been worked out for financing the construction without imposition of additional assessment.

Courthouse Plans To Close Holiday

The courthouse offices today were making plans for Christmas observance. In virtually all of the offices, word was passed out that the offices will remain open on Friday to the usual hour in the afternoon, but will be closed all Saturday, Christmas Day.

Mrs. Wm. Barnes Passes At Home

Mrs. William Barnes, aged 66 years, beloved Austinville resident, died this morning at nine o'clock at her residence. She is survived by her husband, two sons, W. L. Barnes of Birmingham and Marvin Barnes of Austinville, four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the residence by Rev. S. V. Blythe, pastor of the Austinville Methodist church. Interment will be made in Roselawn cemetery, Priest directing.

Court Will Open Here Wednesday

Plans were complete today for the opening of county court Wednesday in the Decatur city hall, which will be used by courts of this county until a new court house is provided to replace the burned structure. Judge W. T. Lowe will preside and civil cases will be heard.

MODERN EVE DEVOURS APPLE, DISCOVERING SINS OF OTHERS

"Grand Conde" Diamond Concealed In Forbidden Fruit, Four Are Now Guests of French Police.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Once in every great while a traveling salesman or some other fortunate person bites on a pearl while eating oysters, but it remained for a chambermaid in a Paris hotel to bite on a \$2,000,000 diamond.

The maid whose name seems to have been overlooked in the scramble, was munching on a luscious apple found in the room of an absent guest when she nearly broke a tooth.

A large brilliant stone of Rose

NO ACTION AT THIS SESSION IS LIKELY, BIDDER DECLARES

Ex-Secretary To The President Believes He Has Chance

PARLEYS WITH SOLONS TODAY

Conferences Held By Author of Offer and Senators

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Bascomb Slemp, former secretary to President Coolidge, who is promoting a new bid for the operation of Muscle Shoals, predicted today, after a conference with senators, that his bid, along with other Muscle Shoals measures, would be referred to the senate agriculture committee for investigation.

He declared the bill he was sponsoring would dedicate the property to agriculture with provision for a subsidy for the manufacture of fertilizer from the sale of power, which would cheapen the price of fertilizer and supply farmers with as much as they would consume.

When the Muscle Shoals question is settled, he said, it would be along the lines of his bill, but doubted if any legislation would be enacted at the present short session.

Turning toward the use of brick for building, Falkville people point to a brick building back of Drinkard's garage which prevented the spread of flames in that direction. Six business establishments and one residence were devoured by the blaze.

The Monday fire marked the third instance in which that particular business section has been burned in the last 30 years.

First Presbyterian Service Planned

The Christmas service of the First Presbyterian church will occur on Wednesday evening, beginning at seven o'clock. The program will be under the direction of the Sunday school. The public was extended a cordial invitation to be present.

Cruiser Building Not To Be Hurried

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—President Coolidge does not believe it is necessary to begin immediately the construction of the ten new light cruisers, which would be authorized under the Butler bill, introduced in the house Saturday.

It was said at the White House that with the cruisers already under construction, the United States has an ample building program for the present time. Building of airplane carriers and submarines, now being carried on, he believes, have given the nation a sufficiently heavy naval bill.

When the airplane carriers are completed, however, the President feels it will be possible to enter upon construction of the new cruisers without appreciably increasing the yearly naval appropriation.

Service Tonight At Westminster

A Christmas entertainment, an operetta, "The Chimes," will be presented tonight at seven o'clock at Westminster Presbyterian church. Action songs and a pantomime "Holy Night" will be included in the special Christmas presentation. The Christmas tree and giving of white gifts will follow the entertainment. Rev. E. N. Hart, pastor, today issued a cordial invitation to the public to attend.

J. F. Cain Suffers With Broken Ribs

Lonnie Cain, Somerville section resident, left today for Melbourne, Fla., to be at the bedside of his father, J. F. Cain, who is suffering with two broken ribs. His condition is not regarded as serious.

Candler and Lloyd Cain are already at the bedside of their father.

Here today to bid friends a happy holiday season, Lonnie Cain said that his father had suffered the broken ribs 15 years ago and that recently, in leaning over a chair, the ribs gave away a second time.

Distribution Of Treatment Sought

The Tennessee Valley laboratory is seeking to establish itself as a distribution point for rabies treatment, which now is handled for the North Alabama section from Montgomery. If the laboratory can procure the proper refrigeration system, it is likely that a supply of the treatment can be kept here for use in all nine of the Tennessee Valley counties served by the local unit.

WORKS ON REPORT

Dr. H. C. McRee, Morgan county health officer, now is at work preparing his annual report, covering the complete activities of the Morgan county health department during 1926. The report probably will be ready for the public early in January.

SUB-DIVISION TO RISE NEAR SITES OF MILL BUILDING

Col. Edmundson To Engineer Plans In East Albany

IMPROVEMENTS NOW UNDERWAY

Sale of Land Will Begin Soon After the New Year

Athens' New Telephone Exchange Opens With Gala Celebrations

Mayor C. W. Sarver Pulls The Cord Which Gives Limestone City Its Finest Phone Service.

By D. L. ROSENAU, JR.

A moment of breathless anxiety, a pull of a cord by Mayor C. W. Sarver, a flash, and the new common battery telephone exchange of Athens went into operation at 10:42 o'clock Saturday night. Although the hour was late for a country town, the subscribers seemed to have awaited the change anxiously, for no sooner was the change made than the operators were swamped with calls from probably a majority of the telephone users, who wanted to prove to themselves that the old twist-the-tail system of ringing by hand was gone forever.

The opening was a gala celebration. Not only was J. H. Larimore, Athens manager, present, smiling all over, and host of the occasion, but the officials of the telephone company of the Alabama district graced the occasion as well. General W. E. Bare, of Birmingham, Alabama manager, was an honored visitor as well as the following others from the Magic City; W. D. Merret, Alabama Plant Supt.; M. N. Barnett, Division Equipment Supt.; Wm. Houston, Suburban District Chief; E. I. Edwards, Equipment Foreman; J. E. Knight, Suburban District Chief; Miss Evelyn Lightwood, District Operator Instructor; H. M. Woodward, Division Engineer; J. L. McCabe, Division Cable Foreman; and R. G. Brown, Construction Foreman who supervised the construction of the new system in Athens. Outside managers present were J. B. Cassells, Albany-Decatur District Manager, and R. A. Moore, Huntsville District Manager. In addition to these persons a number of special outside guests, including county and city officials, were of relatives.

invited.

J. B. Cassells, District Manager, acted as master of ceremonies, introducing the speakers. Those on the program were General W. E. Sarver and D. L. Rosenau, Jr., of Athens.

The first call on the new exchange was made by Mayor Sarver who called Mrs. P. W. Hendricks, wife of the alderman from the city at large. A flashlight photograph was made of the opening scene.

Refreshments brought the evening to a close, and a demonstration was given of the workings of the new system and advice given as to its use.

Manager Larimore announced that the students of Athens College and the schools of the city would be invited to inspect the new system, after which it would be thrown open to the general public for a period of one week.

The new offices are located in the entire second floor of the new Limestone Democrat Building, and in addition to being fireproof are outfitted with every modern convenience.

Dr. Frank H. Coon Is Located Here

Dr. Frank H. Coon, chiropractor, has established offices in the Eyer building, rooms 4 and 5, first floor. Dr. Coon is a graduate of the Palmer school of Chiropractic, Davenport, Iowa, and comes here from Birmingham.

PLANS HOLIDAY

John Green, chief clerk in the office of Probate Judge L. P. Troup, Mrs. Green and children, will spend Christmas in Falkville, the guest of relatives.

Appears In "Ben Hur"



Betty Bronson in "Ben Hur" at Princess Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, Matinee Thursday.

The long awaited Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer screen version of "Ben-Hur" which has been three years in the making, recalls some of the historical and interesting facts about this immortal story by General Lew Wallace. The photoplay version of this dramatic success of a thousand premiers goes into the Princess for two nights, starting Wednesday night, a matinee Thursday.

For forty-five years "Ben-Hur" has been a best-seller and is said to have reached a circulation as large as the Bible. The novel was first published in 1880 following five years of study and research by General Wallace. One of the most unusual facts about this work is that it is the only book of fiction to be blessed by the Holy See. "Ben-Hur" was ordered translated into Italian and then blessed by Pope XIII. "Ben-Hur" was translated into the Arabic, being the first return of the Aryan world for the literary treasure of the Thousand Arabian Nights. In addition to the historical value of the novel, the popularity of "Ben-Hur"

was so great that a Chicago mail order house placed an order for a million copies and this is said to be the largest single order for any publication in the world.

In the latter part of the Nineteenth Century an offer was made to General Wallace to dramatize "Ben-Hur" and stage it as an outdoor attraction on a thirty-acre plot near New York. But this proposition was rejected and the book was not dramatized until General Wallace was shown that the stage presentation of his spectacular novel was entirely feasible. In the preliminary negotiations for the stage rights, A. L. Erlanger convinced the author that the big chariot race could be staged by using the device Neil Burgess used for the race in "The County Fair" and also that proper reverence would be given the subject and that the face or figure of the Saviour would not appear on the stage. The Divine healing power could be indicated by a shaft of light. With these conditions accepted, "Ben-Hur" was made ready for the stage.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE UNDERSIGNED WILL INTRODUCE THE FOLLOWING BILL AT THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALABAMA WHICH CONVENES ON JANUARY 11TH, 1927.

A BILL To be entitled an act to alter or re-arrange the boundary lines of the City of Decatur, Alabama, so as to include within the corporate limits of said city, the territory now included within the cities or towns of Alabama, Alabama, and Fairview, Alabama, and other territory; and so as to exclude from the City of Decatur, Alabama, certain territory now included within the corporate limits of said City of Decatur, Alabama.

SECITON 1. That the boundaries of the City of Decatur, Alabama, in the County of Morgan and State of Alabama, be and the same are hereby altered and re-arranged so as to include within the corporate limits of said city, all that territory lying within the County of Morgan included within the boundaries herein set out, to-wit:

Beginning at the intersection of the west margin of 9th Avenue West with the north margin of the Moulton Pike or Public Road; thence in a westerly direction along the northerly boundary of said Moulton Pike or Public Road to the center of 14th Avenue West if extended south to said Moulton Pike or Public Road; thence in a northerly direction along the center line of 14th Avenue West if extended south to said Moulton Pike or Public Road to the intersection of the center line of said 14th Avenue West with the center line of 1st Street North; thence in an easterly direction along the center line of said 1st Street North to its intersection with the center line of 13th Avenue West; thence in a northerly direction along the center line of said 13th Avenue West to the center line of 6th Street North; thence in an easterly direction along the center line of 6th Street North to a point which is 950 feet west from the intersection of the center line of 6th Street North with the center line of 9th Avenue West, measured along the center line of 6th Street North.

All of the streets and avenues referred to above being as laid out and established by the maps of The Decatur Land, Improvement and Furnace Company on file in the office of the Probate Judge of Morgan County, Alabama, and being streets and avenues now located within the present corporate limits of the City of Decatur, Alabama; thence running north 23 degrees 30 minutes east for 1213 feet; thence south 66 degrees 30 minutes east to the range line be-

tween ranges 4 and 5 west; thence north along the range line for 527 feet to the northwest corner of Section 18, township 5 south, range 4 west; thence north on same range line for 3470 feet to a point 60 yards north of the low water mark on the south bank of the Tennessee River; thence in an easterly direction following the meanderings of the River and keeping 60 yards north of and parallel with the low water mark of the Tennessee River to Alabama Street, which is the east boundary line of the present City of Decatur, Alabama; thence in an easterly direction as it meanders up the Tennessee River and keeping 60 yards north of and parallel with the low water mark of the Tennessee River 7510 feet to the east boundary line of the present City of Albany, Alabama; thence south 31 degrees 41 minutes 10 seconds west 509.89 feet to a huckleberry tree; thence south 3 degrees 0 minutes 20 seconds east 2395 feet; thence south 85 degrees 4 minutes 10 seconds west 887.06 feet; thence south 4130.76 feet to the half section or dividing line between the north half and the south half of section 28, township 5 south, range 4 west; and which is the north boundary line of the Town of Fairview, Alabama, to a point where the center line of 5th Street, Fairview, Alabama, intersects said half section line; thence in southerly direction with the center line of said 5th Street to the center line of South Avenue in the Town of Fairview, Alabama; thence directly west to the east margin of the Somerville Road; thence along the east margin of said Somerville Road in a northwesterly direction to its intersection with the south boundary line of the present City of Albany, Alabama; thence in a westerly direction to the northeast corner of the southwest fourth of section 29, township 5 south, range 4 west; thence in a southerly direction along the half section line between the east and west half of said section 29 for a distance of one-fourth of a mile to the southeast corner of the southwest fourth of section 29; thence in a westerly direction for a distance of 1351.91 feet to the southwest corner of the northeast fourth of section 29, measured along the center line of 6th Street North to a point which is 950 feet west from the intersection of the center line of 6th Street North with the center line of 9th Avenue West, measured along the center line of 6th Street North.

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Exquisite colorings, unusual designs. Luxurious in appearance, durable in fabric and color.

(First Floor)

Child Steals a Dollar To Give Teacher a Gift

Fund Is Started To Provide Kiddies With Money

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 21.—(AP)—A little girl, ward of the Child Welfare department, stole a dollar.

"I wanted to give teacher a Christmas present and there was no other way I could get money to buy it," was the child's explanation. And because the child welfare department is composed of people who temper justice with a degree of kindness, a fund was started to supply each child under its supervision with Christmas spending money, sufficient to buy Christmas presents for those they most cared for.

While the appropriation which supports the department takes care of many things, it could not be stretched to include Christmas presents, no matter what effect this might have on the little waifs' char-

acter. Therefore, public contributions have been received each year to make up the fund. This year about one-half of the required total has already been received, department officials said.

DISCUSS MOTION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—(AP)—Motions to dismiss Fall, Sinclair Tapot Dome conspiracy indictment was taken under advisement today by Justice Janning Bailey

BIRTH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Charles, Dec. 20, a seven pound girl, whom they have named Magic Lee.

after the conclusion of argument in the District of Columbia superior court today.

How to Treat Sore Muscles and Stiff Joints

If you are troubled with sore muscles or stiffened joints you can get wonderfully quick relief by using a preparation known as Mexican Mustang Liniment. It penetrates through the surface of the skin, direct to the very bone. Keep your joints limber and flexible by this application. Rub out rheumatic pain in this way. The effect of Mexican Mustang Liniment makes it a very necessary home remedy. Get a bottle today from your druggist and jump around with joy tomorrow.

"Merry Christmas Chick"

"I got my Columbia—did you get yours?"

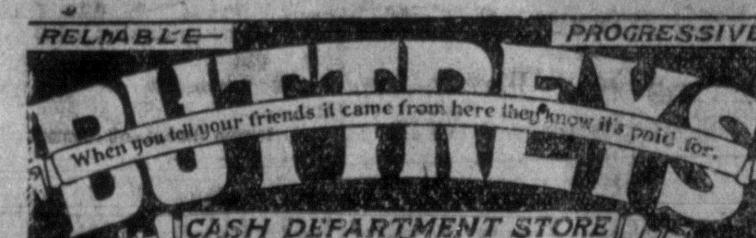
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(First Floor)

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(First Floor)

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(Second Floor)



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Beautiful Crepe de Chine Match Sets, white and colors.....\$12.95 to \$19.95

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'As Good As Acquitted Right Now' Says Rev. Norris, Awaiting Trial

By LARRY L. SISK
International News Service Staff Correspondent

FOR WORTH, Texas.—Rev. J. Frank Norris pastor of the First Baptist church here, charged with murder in connection with his shooting to death of D. E. Chipp, wealthy Fort Worth lumberman, July 17, believes he is "as good as acquitted, right now."

His trial on the murder charge is scheduled to be called January 10 in district court at Austin. The case was moved to Austin on a motion for change of venue when the case was called in district court here, Nov. 1.

"I haven't any fears as to the outcome, when my case comes up at Austin," Rev. Norris told the visitor. "Austin is a small enough place to insure an unbiased jury, as the smaller places are not plastered with sensational newspapers trying the case even before it is called."

The change of venue was granted to the defense after a two-day hearing on a lengthy motion, the file of which never had been filed in a Fort Worth court.

Attorneys for Rev. Norris charged various persons and interests of the city and county with having participated in an alleged "diabolical conspiracy" against the pastor.

"There exists in Tarrant county,

a dangerous combination against him, instigated by influential persons, among whom are, namely: H. C. Meacham, mayor of the city of Fort Worth; O. E. Carr, city manager of the city of Ft. Worth; L. B. Haughey, manager of Meacham's store; George J. Kreybuhl, secretary of the Knights of Columbus, and other persons," the venue motion declared.

Mayor Meacham was alleged by the petition to have contributed \$5,000 to the special prosecution fund, and City Manager Carr was alleged to have contributed \$1,500, "immediately thereafter the salary of the said City Manager O. E. Carr was raised to the extent of \$1,500."

By his incessant fight against the Roman Catholic church, Rev. Norris had incurred the ill will of a majority of the Catholics in Fort Worth and Tarrant county, many of whom were eligible for jury service, the motion asserted.

Incidents of Past

The petition recounted several incidents in Rev. Norris' past, intended to show how he had aroused the ire of other interests in the county, and launched into a personal attack against Mayor Meacham.

Writing from a previous sermon by Rev. Norris, the petition declared:

"Mr. Meacham's record is well known. Up here in Judge Bruce is a matter of record that H. C. Meacham had to pay to the husband of one of his young lady employees, the sum of \$12,500 and had to pay the lawyers \$10,000 to settle it. My friends, I say to this great audience it is a shame in the name of Fort Worth that a man of this kind should be mayor for one minute's time. If he paid it he is not fit to be mayor of a hogpen."

The sermon from which the quotation was taken was at the height of a series of attacks Rev. Norris made from the pulpit against Mayor Meacham and City Manager Carr.

It was this series of attacks that resulted in the killing of Chipp, for which Rev. Norris is scheduled to be tried at Austin.

From the pulpit and in Rev. Norris' paper, *The Searchlight*, the attacks were continued, until Chipp, a close friend of Mayor Meacham, decided to protest to the pastor.

Visitor Is Killed

Chipp went to the pastor's office on the second floor of the Sunday school building, adjoining the First Baptist church. It was late on the afternoon of July 17 and the church offices adjoining the pastor's study had been emptied of their scores of workers.

Chipp did not return down the stairs alive. A series of shots were heard and when the police arrived, the body of Chipp was found just inside the door of the pastor's study. No other gun than the one used by Norris could be found.

Warrant Is Sworn Out For Youth Now at Large

The police could find no witness to the killing other than Norris and his deacon, L. H. Nutt, who happened to be in the pastor's study when Chipp entered, according to their statements made immediately after the killing. In his statement, Rev. Norris claimed that he fired at Chipp only after Chipp had threatened his life and "believing that my own life was in danger."

The prosecution has threatened to produce other witnesses who are supposed to have seen at least a part of the drama surrounding the killing. One of these witnesses is said to be Carl Glaze, 14, who was on an errand to the pastor's study. He is supposed to have run to the top of the stairs in the Sunday School building just as Rev. Norris started shooting. Following the killing the youth disappeared and told no one for several days that he had seen part of the killing.

He was summoned before the Grand Jury when he disclosed his secret to his mother.

There have been hints that another "mystery witness" will be used by the state. According to these hints, a man was with Chipp when Chipp left a downtown hotel just before he was slain. This companion, it is said, waited outside the study while Chipp was inside, and according to some, heard and saw everything taking place. He too disappeared after the killing, according to those who claim to know, and even did not tell his story to officers. He is held as a likely state witness when the trial is called at Austin—even though his identity has not been disclosed publicly.

Rev. Norris confidently believes

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The play, "The Path Across the Hill," presented here by Ryan X Roads students was so successful that it will be repeated tonight.

Rev. Wood preached an able sermon at the Baptist church, Saturday. Heavy rains Sunday morning caused postponement of church services.

G. E. Cobb and L. E. Oden have returned from Atlanta where they went on business.

The dispatches of the Associated Press are carried every afternoon in this newspaper, the news of the world in brief.

Read Dr. Royal S. Copeland's health advice, appearing every day in the Daily.

Are you reading Tillie, Dora and Mazie, appearing every day on the classified page of the Daily?

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MARKET SURVEY IS REVEALED TODAY

Iron Market Quiet In The Alabama Mining District

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 21.—(AP)—The iron market in the Birmingham district is dull at present, with quotations firm at \$20 a ton for No. 2 foundry.

Another furnace just been blown out, leaving two of the Woodward Iron company in idleness while allowing for repairs and relining. Pig iron production is thus being curtailed 350 tons a day under the average output for this region.

Deliveries are strong and will continue so for the remainder of the year with the exception of a few holidays.

The price for the first quarter of the new year has been fixed at \$20, the same quotations which is reigning at present.

Only a small tonnage has been booked thus far for the opening three months of 1927. No change is expected in the present iron market condition, according to the belief of metal men of the Birmingham district.

Production of iron for the first ten months of the present year was 2,175,346 tons as compared with 2,094,734 tons for the corresponding period during 1925. Figures for the year are expected to surpass the total registered for 1925.

Coal production is good with around 400,000 or more tons being produced in Alabama each week. The coke market also is good with prices ranging around \$5 and \$5.50 for foundry grade.

The expectations is that coke will show even more improvement after the first of the year.

The steel market is brisk with the exception of the lighter and smaller shapes, such as wire and nails.

It is expected that after the holidays steel demand will be even greater than it has been during the last several months. More railroads orders are expected to be received by the steel mills.

The expected improvement will warrant the operation of open hearth furnaces and finishing mills in greater numbers.

The cement and clay products trade shows only a small amount of slack, a seasonal condition.

Prospects are bright in several lines with the turn of the new year.

that the ruling by Judge George E. Hosey, here, for the change of venue was the forerunner of a "clean bill" to be handed to him at Austin.

"We can prove," Rev. Norris said, "that Chipp made several threats against my life, even before he came to my office. Even if the threats had not been made previously, the fact that he was in my office, threatening me, gave me a perfect right to defend myself when I thought my life in danger. I maintain that a minister of the gospel has the same right to defend himself in his own study as a bootlegger has to defend himself in his bootlegging den."

Defense Fund

By the evidence taken at the two-day venue change hearing, Rev. Norris says he believes it already is established that a conspiracy against him does exist in Fort Worth. The most important of the evidence toward that end, in the belief of Rev. Norris, taken at the hearing here, was the testimony by Mayor Meacham, called as a witness for the defense.

Meacham testified, in reply to questions by Norris' attorneys, that instead of contributing \$5,000 to the prosecution fund, he had agreed to pay the special prosecutors \$15,000.

Meacham said he felt justified in hiring the special prosecutors, as Chipp was killed while defending Meacham and as Chipp was one of his best friends.

Since the case was transferred to Austin, interest in the trial has dropped in Fort Worth.

Eva News

The play, "The Path Across the Hill," presented here by Ryan X Roads students was so successful that it will be repeated tonight.

Rev. Wood preached an able sermon at the Baptist church, Saturday. Heavy rains Sunday morning caused postponement of church services.

G. E. Cobb and L. E. Oden have returned from Atlanta where they went on business.

The dispatches of the Associated Press are carried every afternoon in this newspaper, the news of the world in brief.

Read Dr. Royal S. Copeland's health advice, appearing every day in the Daily.

Are you reading Tillie, Dora and Mazie, appearing every day on the classified page of the Daily?

W. O. Henderson Is Glad To Be Home

W. O. Henderson, resident of the Somerville section, is glad to come home after nearly a year's sojourn in various west and middle west states. Mr. Henderson left last January 1 in search of health and comes back today in splendid physical condition. He carries a "calling card," in the form of a giant Lincoln penny three or four times the size of an ordinary silver dollar. The penny is a souvenir of the city of Denver.

Smell of Pork Leads Officers To Right Place

Warrant Is Sworn Out For Youth Now at Large

If you want to "ditch" the sheriff's force don't try a kleptomaniac with spareribs and backbone, or other pork products. Having been raised in the good old rural sections of Morgan county, members of the official force have long distance smellers particularly well adapted to scenting pork products. It started this way:

C. W. Mitchell, farmer on the Danville road, discovered the loss of a quantity of ham, backbone and shoulder which he had kept in the smokehouse and felt that he was pretty well set up in a food way for the winter months, until he discovered those same quantities to have disappeared. Officers were summoned and it was discovered that the alleged thief had used a horse in making his get-away. At the same time an SOS came from Limestone county, a farmer had lost a horse. The latter gave the shoe numbers of the animal, corresponding to the tracks found near the Morgan county smokehouse. An idea was obtained as to the identity of the bread and butter thief and officers went to a home down on the Courtland road where members of a rather destitute family are declared to have admitted the stolen goods and to have produced all the loot which had not been consumed. A warrant was sworn out by Mr. Mitchell for Herschel Rollins, youth, now still at large.

Mr. Mitchell was greatly pleased at the efficient work of Sheriff E. C. Poole and Deputy Ben Poole and gratified that his provisions had been returned.

We sorrow with his loved ones, because of his going away, and we do command them to the God of all grace, for comfort in this, their sad hour of trial.

Be it resolved that Albany Lodge

has lost a faithful member, and we shall miss him, and try to emulate his virtues, and cover his shortcomings with charity's sweet mantle, peace be to his ashes.

Be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the widow under seal of the lodge, and a copy be furnished the Albany-Decatur Daily, for publication, and a copy be kept on record in the lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILLIPS BROOKS AUTHOR OF CAROL

Famous Preacher On Start of Career, Wrote Music

Phillips Brooks, world-famed preacher, is the author of the well-known carol, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," said Pastor Hahn. In the early sixties of the last century, Brooks visited the land of Palestine. While at Bethlehem he went out in the evening to the field where tradition has it that the fortunate shepherds once beheld the glory of the Lord and heard the angels choir singing: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men." In the gathering darkness the young preacher looked upon the little town which was the birthplace of the Savior. All its sacred associations crowded into his mind and in his heart he began to sing a new carol to the Christ-child, which he afterwards wrote in verse as we have it today.

This hymn was sung for the first time by the children of this young preacher's Sunday school at their Christmas service in 1868.

"Phillips Brooks was one of the

Judge Troup Will Come Home Soon

L. P. Troup, Judge of Probate, is expected home Wednesday from Birmingham. Judge Troup has been

greatest preachers of his time.

When he wrote this hymn he was

thirty years old and just at the

beginning of his great career.

He wrote other religious poems, but

the best ones are in relation to

the Christmas and Easter. They

are all Christian hymns, Brooks

himself believed in Christ with all

his heart and soul and preached

Him all his life time.

It is interesting to note some

of the Scripture references with

which this poem abounds:

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah,"

Michah 5, 2.

"The Lord shall be unto thee an

everlasting light," Isaiah 60, 19.

"I am the Light of the World,"

John 8, 12.

"When the morning stars sang

together," Job 38, 7.

"Thanks be unto God," 2 Cor-</p

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TODAY From The Daily of December 21, 1914.
12 Years Ago

The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company is spending considerable money in improvement of the forge shop here.

Congressman Harris has arrived here for the holidays. He is paired as a "dry" on the national prohibition amendment to be voted on in the house this week.

The safe in the J. H. Peebles store, in Mooresville, was robbed Saturday night.

Local militiamen will receive pay for their drills after January 1, under the terms of the new militia bill.

This is the time of year Dad gets plenty of miles when he comes home.

Arguing with a woman has about as much affect as back seat driving.

The gruff old gentleman with the scowling brow may have just completed his Christmas shopping, don't put him down as a grouch.

People looking for object lessons might remember that it isn't the size of the stocking you hang up that counts, but what you get in it.

A white Christmas would be beautiful, but a fair, warm and "sunshiny" day would be entirely satisfactory.

The Connecticut Mills Company, in declining to wait for the first of the year to begin construction furnishes a splendid object lesson to the citizenship at large.

SENATOR HEFLIN LAUNCHES ANOTHER SENSATIONAL ATTACK.

Senator J. Thomas Heflin, of Alabama, fired another verbal barrage on the senate floor Monday, but the Senator appears to have been using "scatter shot." He managed to attack, according to press reports, the Jess Smith-Daugherty alliance, the Fall-Doheny trial and the Wall Street Journal. So far as known the senator was silent on the Hall-Mills case and the visit to America of Queen Marie.

The Daily believes that Senator Heflin has many admirable traits, but his outbursts of vitriolic oratory are not included. No doubt Senator Heflin frequently arrives at the conclusion there is "something rotten" in the American capital as well as "Denmark." The Daily cannot understand, however, if things are as bad as he says, why it would not be a splendid idea to obtain a sensational investigation, or a court probe in a little less sensational manner.

Broadsides fired at so many subjects on the floor of the senate will accomplish little good, in the Daily's opinion. Senator Heflin's efforts to prevent any imposition on the people is appreciated, but is the public welfare served best by such tactics as the Alabama solon pursued on the senate floor Monday?

EXTRA! CAROLINA FARMER FINDS HOW TO MAKE 12 CENT COTTON PAY.

The plan proposed by Gee McGee, in the Anderson (S. C.) Early Mail for making 12 cent cotton pay perhaps is more deserving of a place on the first page than on the editorial page of a newspaper. At least it is much more exciting news than the recent murder waves, but the Daily publishes it here for what it is worth and permits the reader to draw his own conclusion:

1. Rent a good farm for part of the crop, and shoot your landlord if he ever mentions his part to you.

2. Buy your guano on credit. Steal your mule feed and plow tools from your neighbor. Give bogus checks for groceries.

3. Stay away from church so's your preacher won't expect you to pay him anything, and if he sends a collector around, why, turn him down.

4. Borrow a shanty to raise on halves. When he gets fat, kill him, and tell the man you got it from his half died.

5. Spend every Sunday with your wife's kinfolks, if she's got any fit to go to see, and borrow enough rations to live on through the following week.

6. Hire a hand and promise him 2 bales of cotton for his services and run him off before you begin to gather your crop. (N. B. Make him board himself while working for you.)

7. Get some good man to endorse your note for \$50, and don't speak to him again.

8. Trade at every store you find that will sell you on credit till "next spring." If any of them turns you down—buy one load anyhow with a check.

9. As soon as crops are laid by—take your mules back to the man that you ruin. (He will be glad to get his mules back at that time.)

10. Pick your cotton as fast as it opens. Have it ginned, and charge the ginning to your landlord. Sell your seed and cotton as soon as possible. Dodge everybody you owe, and move just as soon as you think that something is about to happen that.

BOARD OF REVENUE CAN MAKE REAL CHRISTMAS GIFT.

The board of revenue of Morgan county has an unusual opportunity to make a real Christmas gift to the people of Morgan county. The board is scheduled to go into session Wednesday to consider the plans presented for reconstruction of the burned Morgan county courthouse.

Two plans are involved in the deliberations, one providing for the same amount of space as was contained in the destroyed structure; the other plan providing for a large increase of space. Neither plan will involve any additional taxation.

It would be strange, indeed, were the members of the board of revenue to find themselves unable to select the better plan.

It requires no unusual keenness of perception to realize that the courthouse here was rapidly becoming inadequate for the county's needs at the time it was burned. Even the most perfidious sort of investigation would reveal storage space already becoming cramped. What there would be gained by rebuilding the structure on the same scale as existed before the fire?

Several years ago Morgan county had to spend considerable money on repairs of the building. At that time officers did their best to increase the capacity of the available vault space. With Morgan county growing at the rate enjoyed today, isn't it reasonable to suppose that the future requirements of this county will be very much greater than they are at present?

The Daily has confidence that the membership of the board of revenue will have the business foresight to select the plan calling for the addition. It is both necessary and economical. The space can be provided now cheaper than the building can be rebuilt and the extension erected a few years from now.

ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME THAT INSURANCE RATES WERE REVISED?

The Selma Times-Journal says:

Four leading life insurance companies are reported as withdrawing from Dothan because of recent unusual losses. As these companies are licensed to do business in the state and will continue to receive business from better favored communities, it may be asked if a policy of strict fairness would not require that they cut the rate in those towns where the loss ratio is low and the profits of the business highly satisfactory? As it is, it looks like a case of "heads I win, tails you lose."

The question raised by the Times-Journal is likely to be a disturbing factor in Alabama policies within the next few years. The rate fixed for insurance is set arbitrarily by the organization of companies and no opportunity is given for competitive offers. That condition has many redeeming features, chief among which is that the interests of the purchaser of insurance is carefully guarded both by the state and the insurance companies.

It does seem reasonable to suppose, however,

WHEN WINTER COMES AND THE OPEN FIRE DIFFUSES COMFORT, BE CAREFUL

Biting cold outside, the open grate within sending its glow and genial warmth into the room. The two go admirably together. But the open grate, friend though it is, when filled with glowing coals on a chilly day, can cause much suffering and sorrow if those who gather about it are careless and practical present.

A GOOD TOWN

The neighboring little city of Athens suffers numerous reverses, but like all other cities in the North Alabama section, that city always comes back stronger.—Albany-Decatur Daily.

The above kind notice is from Albany-Decatur Daily and is appreciated by the people of Athens, who have been "sideswiped" the past six years by everything from bull weevil to bankruptcies, yet have kept steadily on in their upward progress. We seriously doubt if any other town has undergone greater tribulations with a finer spirit or progressed more than has Athens during the visitations of financial misfortunes. Her people are made of stern stuff and during the past year have just put over a number of civic enterprises, such as, the contribution of \$75,000 to a college endowment campaign.

And our news columns this week tell the pleasant news of the establishment here of a \$150,000 compress and warehouse by outside capital. The compress will serve the L. & N. and Lewisburg & Northern towns north of the Tennessee river, which means Athens will be the concentration point for some 50,000 bales of cotton, beginning with the 1927 crop.—Limestone Democrat.

Travel in Same Car As Queen Marie

SELMA, Ala., Dec. 21.—(AP)—

When members of the Federal Land Reclamation Commission visited this section of Alabama recently, they traveled in the same private car which was used by Queen Marie of Rumania on her tour of the United States.

The car is the property of Howard Elliot, chairman of the board of the Northern Pacific railroad and chairman of the reclamation commission which visited here.

For the Queen's benefit it was remodeled, decorated and fitted out with unusually luxurious conveniences.

Upon taking the car over again for the Southern reclamation trip, Mr. Elliot allowed the luxurious fittings to remain in place, causing at many places a siege by women anxious to see the special bathtub and bed used by the Rumanian queen.

It is surprising how early in life a baby will seek the mastery of its parents. It will seek to "rule the roost" and determine for itself when it is to be taken up, how long it is to be carried about, when it is to eat and when it is to sleep.

I have witnessed a tiny baby's maneuvers to attract attention. It will cry for a while and then stop to listen for the parent's footsteps. Then it does it all over again. It seeks to decoy the mother or father into the job of carrying it up and down the floor for an hour or so.

It is fatal to give in and, if you do, it won't be long before the child is the master. You must begin your disciplinary methods from the very beginning of the child's life, or trouble is in store, not only for you, but, what is more important, for your baby.

What I have to say today will relate to the physical welfare of the infant rather than to the mental effect of over-indulgence. You can't let a tiny baby eat when it pleases. Certainly, you cannot let an older child eat when it pleases. You must decide both these questions for your children.

It is fatal to the health of an infant to have any irregularity in its feeding. Its eating schedule must be as well laid out and better executed than that of the best-run railroad in North America. On this account you must demand obedience on the part of your child. You must do your part to see that the food is properly prepared and when you must see to it that it is taken on schedule time.

You must not be a tyrant and need not be one. But you are not a good parent unless you are firm when you know you are right.

By reasonable and good-natured control of your baby, it will grow into an obedient and well nourished youngster, sure to make you proud in years to come. As it grows older you can point out the reasons for things and, having developed the habit of obedience, it will follow your advice. But, more than this, the child will obey you gladly and cheerfully because it understands why the advice is given.

Growing into strong, vigorous, mentally alert and good-natured youth, there will be happiness, respect and appreciation for what you have done.

Several speakers at the meeting

OBEDIENCE FIRST AID TO BABY'S HEALTH

A Word to Indulgent Parents Who Are Deceived by Crying Infants Into Walking the Floor with Them.

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M.D.

United States Senator from New York.
Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.

I consider the welfare of the child, it is well to recall that physical health is not the only thing to bear in mind. The mental health is quite as important, in some respects more important.

Even young children can become fussy, unhappy and worrisome. Bad mental habits may react on the body, causing discomfort, if not actual illness.

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By ARTHUR BRISBANE. (Copyright, 1926, by The Star Co., Inc.)
For Albany-Decatur Daily.

In offering Mr. Brisbane's daily editorials The Daily does not necessarily concur with his opinions, but offers them as the sentiments of the highest paid editorial writer in this country.

A TRIP across this continent is nothing. Three thousand miles of cities, towns, villages and farms, go by like a moving picture. The comfort in travel is absolute, thanks to George M. Pullman, to whom this country should erect a fine monument, and to the ability of the American railroad builders.

You settle down in the train in New York, suddenly you look at the Pacific ocean and it seems only an hour.

NOW the train rolls through New Mexico with colored hills, beautiful mountains, their tops white with snow, deep gullies worn by rushing waters, Indians in bright head dress waving their hands at the train and a climate that says to the whole world "Come here and get well."

If you have not seen New Mexico, you are in America like a man in Rome, who has never seen St. Peters.

OUT HERE they take things with a seriousness that would seem comical in New York.

Editors all through this western country are interested in the trial of Pat McDermott at Canton, Ohio. All McDermott did was to shoot Don Mellett, a Canton editor, who had been attacking the gang, a bootlegging gambling ring, and making him a nuisance.

HE was a queer sort of a man, couldn't listen to reason. Even in the shape of real money. So, as there was nothing else to do, a bullet from the dark was sent into the back of his head and he stopped attacking the gang.

DON MELLETT killed physically, was not quite killed mentally. The chief of police that he had been fighting had to resign after Mellett was dead. Out here they know all about Don Mellett's case and actually take an interest in it.

Ask anybody in Boston or New York what he thinks about Don Mellett and he will ask who he is?

WE don't get excited easily in the East except when we find that we have to pay more for our coal or the street cars stop running.

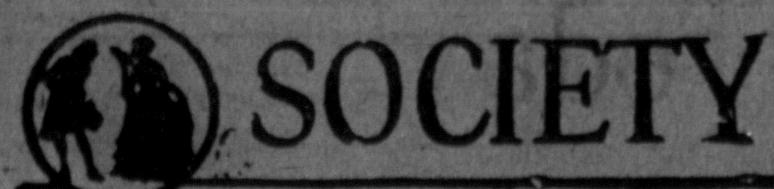
NEWS of the acquittal in the big oil case reached this train at Newton, Kansas, Mr. Emil J. Steinheuer, of Brooklyn and New York, who manages these cross country trips and represents Eastern sentiment, remarks:

"I am glad of it. We couldn't

run the country without those big oil men."

THAT isn't how they feel here. A lady in the observation cars says to a total stranger, "I wouldn't even read about it, because I knew they would be acquitted." She seems as angry as Congressman Heflin from Alabama who said, "God help the nation," and thinks we might have a revolution.

SENATOR HEFLIN doesn't know his brother Americans. There won't be any revolution while men can get five dollars a day for working eight hours very gently, almost anywhere in the United States, and the roughest unskilled labor in New York in the building trades gets \$9 for eight hours work picking up odds and ends, that could be done by a trained



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MISS BROADUS HOSTESS
JUNIOR MUSIC STUDY CLUB.
A splendid representation of the club members were present at the meeting of the Junior Music Study Club on Saturday afternoon when Miss Mary Broadus entertained them at her home on East Lafayette street. The early part of the afternoon was taken up with routine business.

As is the custom, the musical program was then given in the following order:

"Alabama"—sung by club members.

Chapter in Study Book—Miss Mary Broadus.

Piano Solo, "Breath of Evening"—Miss Dorothy Whaley.

Vocal Solo, "Good Night Mr. Moon"—Miss Elizabeth Wallace.

Piano Solo, "To a Wild Rose"—Miss Elkins Himes.

Vocal Solo, "The Bird With a Broken Wing"—Miss Lottie Lovin.

Piano Solo, "Concert Etude"—Miss Lois Walsh.

Piano Solo, "Serenade"—Miss Ruth Chunn.

During the enjoyable social hour with the hostess, she served lovely refreshments.

TEA DANCE AT RENTROC ON CHRISTMAS.

A ten-dance will be given at Rentroc on Christmas Day from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. This event is being looked forward to with much interest. A local orchestra will furnish the music.

On Christmas night the dancing contingent will enjoy the "Triping of the Light Fantastic" from 9 p.m. to 12 p.m. in the ball room at Rentroc.

GIFT INVESTMENT

The gift of diamonds this year is an investment in pleasure which combines dividends of happiness with surety of monetary safety. Time only adds to the value of gems sold so reasonably as they are here.

Our 52 years of experience will help you.

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PERSONALS

Gordon Griffin, of West Palm Beach, Fla., arrived here Monday to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Walter Griffin.

Joe Russell, Jr., is recuperating from a several day's illness.

Mrs. R. T. Sheppard returned Monday afternoon from Attalla, Ala., where she spent several weeks with her mother, Mrs. Bacon.

Mrs. C. T. Hopper and son, Carl, Jr., of Birmingham, are visitors in the cities today en route to Courtland to spend the Christmas tide.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hollenbeck of Courtland will leave this week to

When She Wonders Which



By Edgar Falcon

HARVEST DAY

The entire Missionary Society of Central Methodist church assembled in the home of Mrs. H. O. Troup, Monday afternoon, to celebrate Harvest Day. Mrs. B. E. Freuit, vice-president, in the absence of the president Mrs. James D. Hunter, was in the chair and opened the meeting with a hymn, Mrs. Troup presiding at the piano, the reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting by Mrs. W. P. Baugh, recording secretary, followed.

Dr. James D. Hunter conducted the devotional, reading selections from St. Luke that were very appropriate, emphasizing the fact that Christ's coming emancipated woman, who until His coming had been a mere chattel.

Reports from superintendent of the various departments were heard, the reports in their fullness showed that no mistake had been made in the appointment of superintendents. "Eureka" could be heard, softly breathed by these women so anxious to attain their goal, reports were not made of money in fifty-dollar lots, but hundreds. The organ fund is growing and there were quiet whisperings of some definite effort to be made each month, until the church is given an organ by the ladies of the society. The financial report was the strongest ever made by the organization, dinners, bazaars, cakes, handkerchiefs and fancy work have swelled the treasure funds.

A beautiful program had been arranged when Mrs. Petty, accompanied by Mrs. Troup, sang in her appealing way a Christmas song, making pictures dear to the heart of every woman. Miss Chunn played a beautiful piano Paderewski selection, doing credit to her teacher. A duet by Mrs. Troup and little Miss Eva Love Wyatt made a deep impression. Miss Pearson gave a reading, a Henry Van Dyke selection, that was greatly appreciated. During the social hour following the program, the members of the society assisted the hostess in serving a delicious salad course.

Pneumonia for Some Persons; Fun for Them



As sort of a Ha-Ha on the blizzard that blitzed around New York, members of the Sea Lions Club went in bathing in the justly famous Atlantic Ocean.

(International Newsreel.)

spend Christmas with relatives and friends in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Schwarz, who spent the past two months in Birmingham, will arrive Thursday to be the Christmas guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Patterson. They will leave the first of January for a western trip after which they will return to New

York city.

Ed Beatty of Birmingham was a business visitor here on Monday.

Misses Broxie Collins and Falla Richardson and Mr. Mack Ennis, the latter of Flint, Mich., motored to Huntsville and spent Monday days at home.

PRINCESS

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Look What Old Santa
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The Princess this week

Wednesday-Thursday
"BEN HUR"

Friday
Florence Vidor in
"THE POPULAR SIN"

Saturday, (Xmas Day)
Buck Jones in
"30 BELOW ZERO"

Give Her a Christmas
Book of Princess The-
atre Tickets. On Sale
Now, \$2.50 Per Book.

Lucien Bloodworth, who is a student of Emory College, arrived Tuesday morning to spend the hol-

days at the Masonic Home Board meeting.

Mrs. A. C. Aldridge, who is taking treatment at the Benevolent hospital, is doing nicely.

James E. Transue, of Memphis, the holiday guest of his sister, Mrs. F. R. Hodges and Mrs. Woost Stinson.

Misses Mary Evans Bailes and Mary Price, members of the faculty of the Decatur schools, will leave Thursday night for their home in Florence to spend the holiday season.

Miss Pauline Norton and Percy Norton, students of the University of Alabama, are at home with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Norton for the holidays.

Misses Mary Louise and Martha Chenault, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Chenault, arrived home Saturday night from the university to spend the Christmastide.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Norton and son, of Kansas, are spending the holiday season with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Norton.

Mrs. W. H. McKee had as spend the day guests on Monday, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McAbee and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis McAbee, of Neal, Ala.

D. M. McKee of Mt. Pleasant, Texas, will arrive Wednesday night to be the guest of his nephews, H. J. J. A. and W. H. McKee, en route to the east end of this country where he will visit his brother and other relatives.

S. B. Cross was removed from the Benevolent hospital on Saturday to his home, after a several weeks stay there recovering from injuries sustained in an auto wreck.

Miss Mildred Ferris of Birmingham is the expected holiday guest of her father, Eugene Ferris.

Miss Clutie Bloodworth of Montgomery is expected Thursday night to spend Christmas with her mother, Mrs. Mary Bloodworth.

Maynard Layman, student at Maryville College, will arrive Thursday morning to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Layman.

Advice to Girls

By Annie Laurie

DEAR ANNIE LAURIE:
I am a young girl of seven years. Last year I fell in love with a boy somewhat older than myself. He seemed to be very much in love with me.

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Please tell me what to do—for I need your help.

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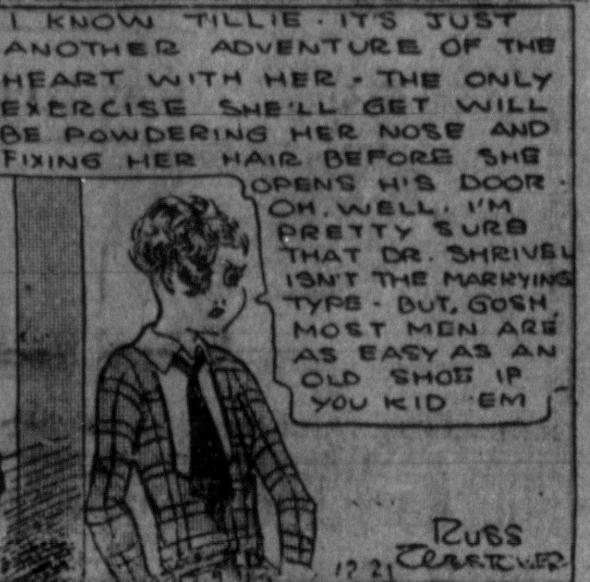
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MAZIE, THE MODEL



By LARRY WHITTINGTON

County Notes



Somerville News

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Miller and Eva Lee West were in Albany hopping Thursday.

Miss Loretta Turney of roots, visited her aunt, Mrs. T. J. Gizzard, Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leldon Garrison

and two children of Danville visited her father, D. P. Sharpe, and family on route one, this week.

Miss Kate Winton returned home Tuesday after several days visit with Miss Beagle Motte of Warrior.

Mrs. Earl Jones of Tampa, Fla. is here to spend the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Sharpe, and other relatives.



BY WILLIAM B. COURTYNE

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"DON'T TELL THE WIFE," starring Irene Rich, is a Warner Bros. picturization of this novel.

SYNOPSIS

Ranny Forbes, star polo player, and his beautiful wife, Joan, are temperamental misfits. Joan wants a divorce. Ranny hesitates, loving her, although secretly knowing she loves Abner Gratum.

While they are all guests on a week-end cruise on the yacht of Stivener, a lumber king, a widow, Clare, vamps Ranny, arousing Stivener's jealousy. But when Ranny avows Clare means nothing to him, Stivener aids Ranny punish Abner. Abner is trapped with Joan. Abner is set in a dory behind the yacht. Joan defiantly joins Abner, who recklessly cuts adrift. They are lost in the stormy night.

BUT a moment also, that the storm selected to send along a particularly high wave, which the dory crested—and an uncommonly deep after-trough, into which it dropped sickeningly.

Fate, the humorist, as the dory crashed, brought together with a vicious rap the lips that sought each other in the darkness. And bumped Abner's forehead hard against Joan's nose.

The pain snapped Joan out of the primitive past, to the perilous present. In her irritation she lost all desire to kiss Abner.

In his scare, Abner, too, lost all desire to kiss Joan. Jarred out of a miasmic fog of passion, he CLUNG to Joan.

The romantic side of Joan had been flattered to think of a lover, who could be so oblivious to the possibility of death, which stared him in the face, and could think only of seizing the chance, however inopportune, to prove his love. He drew in the ears and whimpered: "I can't seem to make any headway."

JOAN was as cool as he was excited: "My word, man, keep your head! Are you afraid?"

Abner was too panicky to feel abashed by the hint of contempt in her voice.

Without waiting for a reply, she went:

"Chaps like you really shouldn't embark on this sort of joyride, you know! You've had no experience at this sort of scrap. It takes a man like Ranny to make a woman feel comfortable—in the open. What ever possessed you to cut loose, Abner, dear?"

There was no reproach, only indulgent wonder, in her voice. She felt strangely impelled to mother this helpless male.

Abner's demoralization, however, was so complete by now that he was only lucid thought was that he was decidedly different.

"Abner," she shouted sharply, "brace up and do something to get us out of this before we're swamped!"

"But I've told you there's nothing I can do," he whined.

"Come, come!" She broke his hold and wrestled him toward the rowing seat. "You row, and I'll paddle. Hurry, or we'll founder in time!"

"I can't row!"

Joan was coming more and more moment to the realization that if the crisis was to be mastered, she would have to assume full charge. She did so, calmly, patiently, and with an almost motherly attitude of pity and protective-ness toward Abner.

Even when she sought to set him an example by scooping out handfuls of the water which the dory was shipping in increasing amounts each instant, Abner cowered inactive.

Joan thenupon adopted another tact, still mild.

"If Ranny were in this pickle," she yelled, "he'd say, 'Cheerio, lady-mine! While there's life there's fight. We'll keep trying! Come, now, why can't you be like that, dear? Do you want to see me drown?'

"Blast Ranny! Why can't you leave his name out of this? I don't care what he'd do or say. There's no use in doing or saying anything!"

"Are you quittin'?" Joan asked.

The violence of her efforts to haul the boat had warmed her, despite the fact that she was kneeling in two inches of water and was soaked to the skin by rain and spume, and was growing daily ill from the incessant lashing and spinning of the unguided boat.

"Look, Abner! Montauk Head is getting dimmer. We're drifting out to sea. Do something for God's sake, before we go down!"

"There's no hope!" he cried wildly. Pitching forward, he took a deathlike hold of her, pinching her arms so that she was helpless to pull, or to move.

But there was no halting Abner now. The storm and the peril of the moment had been shoved aside by the background of his consciousness by the desire to possess—by an all-consuming primitive lust.

He was the tribal rump, quaking in a usurped cave with a stolen mate under the gods of storm and its wraths of pursuers, blindly and desperately bidding for the full moment of coveted delight and physical happiness before the mountain hand topples down upon him.

Joan fought to free herself. "Abner, have you gone insane?"

"Yes," he mewled, "Insane about you. Nothing else in all the world matters but you, dearest."

"Tell that to me some other time, man!"

"There will be no other time. I've wanted you so long, ached for you—and now I have you alone at last. You're mine, now—mine alone!"

"Not until I get a divorce, I've told you!"

"Divorce ha' changed!" He was almost shivering. "You're mine—mine—mine—mine—"

Deep in, Joan, too, felt a primal impulse—a barbare joy in the wildness of the elements, the clutching hardness of her lover's arms, the brutishness of his hot breath and incandescent eyes. For one long, burning minute Joan's nature reverted ten thousand years. The whip of cold, wind-driven rain only served to sting her blood to greater frenzy. The pitching of the boat intoxicated her. Something latent in her being, some inherited passion, untried for countless generations, answered the animal glisten in Abner's fevered eyes. It was a moment of madness.

A rare moment, in which the world stood wildly still and trembled on the bruising kiss of seeking lips.

Pluckily she worked to lift the heavy oars into the tholes, and tried to head the dory into the wind.

The storm snapped the oars out of her hands like matchwood, whirled them away, and in the same moment Abner threw himself against her legs, clawing in fear.

As thus they fought, she to continue the fight for life, he to abandon it to a monstrous wave overwhelmed the dory. Two humans spun clear into the boiling sea.

"Ranny! Ranny!" Joan's wail rose above the tempest, "It's all—your fault!"

Then the sea gagged her, while the storm furies howled their riddling wrath.

(To be continued)



The European war debts are being settled on the basis of 20 to 40 cents on the dollar. Try settling some of your own debts to the government on that basis and see where you land.

Clarie: I think I'll have my bathing suit taken in a little.
Gladys: If you do you'll be taken in yourself.

All that goes up must come down, except the price of free education.

"Well, that fixes next week's paper," said the country editor as he changed the date on this week's paper.

WHY WE KEEP CHRISTMAS
Born of the Virgin Mary
A sweet and lovely child,
Born for man's redemption
So humble, meek and mild.
Over in Bethlehem's manger
Swathed in swaddling dress,
The parents of this stranger
No comforts did possess.
To those astonished shepherds
On Bethlehem's plains one morn,
The angels brought good tidings
About a child been born.
We men also found Him,
Led by the new, bright star,
Costly presents brought Him,
Gold, frankincense and myrrh.
He grew and lived to manhood,
A carpenter by trade.
He never spoke a falsehood;
His life will never fade.
Born of the stem of Jesse,
of royal David stock,
To be a Guide and Shepherd,
To all His humble flock.
Oh! How we all should cherish
The love on Calvary;
He came our souls to nourish.

WRIT FILED
MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Dec. 21.—(AP)—Petition for a writ of habeas corpus to obtain the release of D. C. Stephenson from the state prison here was filed before Judge Harry L. Crumpacker of the LaPorte superior court today.

Upon that rugged tree
He gave Himself a ransom,
That we, through Him might live;
The son of God most handsome.
His life He freely gave,
That's why we all feel happy
When presents we display;
We think of Him our Savior,
Born on Christmas Day.

"Seeing is believing, you know."
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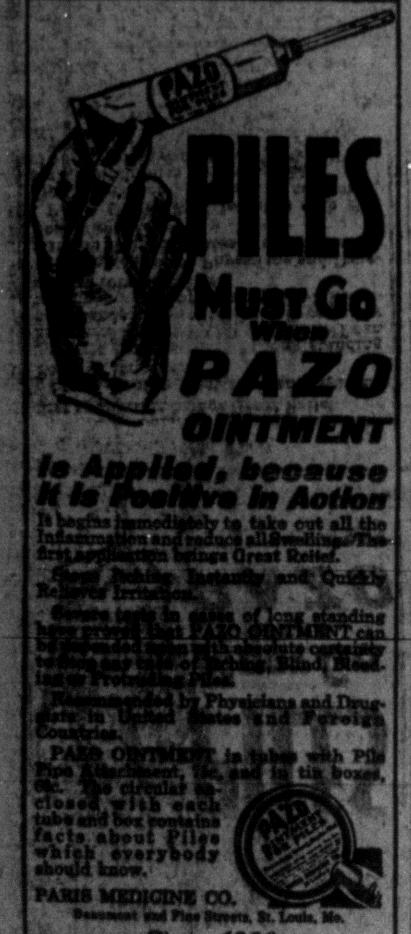
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"Well, that fixes next week's paper," said the country editor as he changed the date on this week's paper.

WHY WE KEEP CHRISTMAS
Born of the Virgin Mary
A sweet and lovely child,
Born for man's redemption
So humble, meek and mild.
Over in Bethlehem's manger
Swathed in swaddling dress,
The parents of this stranger
No comforts did possess.
To those astonished shepherds
On Bethlehem's plains one morn,
The angels brought good tidings
About a child been born.
We men also found Him,
Led by the new, bright star,
Costly presents brought Him,
Gold, frankincense and myrrh.
He grew and lived to manhood,
A carpenter by trade.
He never spoke a falsehood;
His life will never fade.
Born of the stem of Jesse,
of royal David stock,
To be a Guide and Shepherd,
To all His humble flock.
Oh! How we all should cherish
The love on Calvary;
He came our souls to nourish.

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Upon that rugged tree
He gave Himself a ransom,
That we, through Him might live;
The son of God most handsome.
His life He freely gave,
That's why we all feel happy
When presents we display;
We think of Him our Savior,
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NO MONEY IS IN THE DEAL

Terms of Contract Given As Cause For Trade

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